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Metaphysics

5.0 credits

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45.0 h + 30.0 h

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Teacher(s) :	Gérard Gilbert ;
Language :	Français
Place of the course	Louvain-la-Neuve
Main themes :	The aim of the course is to introduce the student to: metaphysical reasoning, its history and key moments, its self-conception, its methods, the questions it poses and the problems it raises.
Aims :	By the end of this course, the student should be able to address in a critical manner, i.e., one that is personal, informed, and well-argued, the central metaphysical questions concerning existence, being, the absolute, etc., while also showing the legitimacy and pertinence these questions have for the world and people of today. To this end, the student should be up to mastering the conceptual and historical reference points necessary to weigh the metaphysical stakes inherent to all philosophical questions. In a similar vein, the student should also be able to put these reference points to work in a coherent and well thought-out manner when fulfilling the various tasks that will be asked of him/her during the course. The contribution of this Teaching Unit to the development and command of the skills and learning outcomes of the programme(s) can be accessed at the end of this sheet, in the section entitled "Programmes/courses offering this Teaching Unit".
Evaluation methods :	The final mark is awarded on the basis of the results from volume 1 (course) and volume 2 (exercises) in the following way : Where one or both parts have been failed, the global mark is the weaker of the two. Where both parts have been passed, the global mark is calculated according to an 60 (vol.1) / 40 (vol.2) weighting. Assessment: The exam bears on the lectures (60% of the grade); on the participation in tutorials (20% of the grade); and on the essay (20% of the grade).
Other infos :	Supporting material: Class notes, reading package, bibliography. Course Holder/Course supervision: An EFT assistant (leading the tutorial and the library work, writing assistance).
Cycle and year of study :	 > Bachelor in Philosophy > Preparatory Year for Master in Philosophy > Preparatory Year for Master in Ethics
Faculty or entity in charge:	EFIL